

Conservation of Energy:

- We are concerned with conservation of mechanical energy.
- Kinetic and potential energies
- Energy is conserved when a closed system has no nonconservative forces acting in it.
- Nonconservative forces:
friction, drag, applied

- Equation:

$$E_i = E_f$$

$$K_i + U_{gi} = K_f + U_{gf}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cancel{m} v_i^2 + \cancel{m} a_g h_i = \frac{1}{2} \cancel{m} v_f^2 + \cancel{m} a_g h_f$$

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A person throws a ball directly upwards with an initial velocity of 15 m/s. How high does the ball go?

$$v_f \quad \text{---} \quad h_f$$

$\emptyset \text{ m/s}$

$$v_i \quad \uparrow \quad \text{---} \quad h_i = \emptyset \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v_i^2 + a_g h_i = \frac{1}{2} v_f^2 + a_g h_f$$

$$h_f = \frac{v_i^2}{2a_g}$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a_g \Delta y$$

$$= \frac{(15 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}$$

$$= 11.48 \text{ m}$$